

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
RICHMOND DIVISION**

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT OF
STEVEN BARRY, AS THE OWNER OF A
1989 VIKING 56 MOTOR YACHT, HIN
VKY55018K889, FOR EXONERATION
FROM OR LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

Case No. _____

AFFIDAVIT

I, MICHAEL J. MCCOOK being duly sworn, submit the following affidavit:

1. My name is Michael John McCook I am over the age of 18 and competent to make this Affidavit.

2. I am a professional marine surveyor with M.J. McCook Associates, Inc., which performs marine surveys for various types of vessels, including surveys of pleasure boats and motor yachts for damage or accident investigation, in and around the Chesapeake Bay and greater Virginia-Maryland region.

3. I have been asked to determine the fair market value of a 1989 Viking 56 Motor Yacht, Hull Identification Number: VKY55018K889 (hereinafter, the "Limitation Vessel"), which was involved in a fire at the Boathouse Marina located in Colonial Beach, Virginia, on or about June 4, 2022 (hereinafter, the "Fire").

4. I am certified by the National Association of Marine Surveyors (NAMS), and I have been a NAMS Certified Marine Surveyor since 1988.

5. In the course and scope of my duties as a marine surveyor, I am often required to assess and/or estimate the value of watercraft.

6. At the time of the loss, there was no pending freight aboard the Limitation Vessel.

7. I estimate that the Limitation Vessel's current fair market value, and fair market value following the loss, in and around The Chesapeake Bay region to be \$5,000.00 (U.S.). It is a total wreck that has only salvage value.

8. The foregoing estimate is true, correct, and accurate to the best of my knowledge and information and based on my training and experience as a Certified Marine Surveyor and an Accredited Marine Surveyor, working in and around the Chesapeake Bay and greater Virginia-Maryland region.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.



MICHAEL J. MCCOOK/CMS/NAMS
M.J. MCCOOK ASSOCIATES, INC.

STATE OF Virginia,

CITY / COUNTY OF King George to wit:

On this 5th day of August 2022, before me, a notary in and for the State of _____ City or County aforesaid, personally appeared Michael J. McCook who:

X is personally known to me, or
_____ has produced _____ as identification, appeared before me, a notary in and for the State of Virginia and being duly sworn, executed the foregoing Affidavit and acknowledged the Affidavit to be his free and voluntary act and deed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, this day and year first written above.

Suzanne M. Baumgard
Notary Public

Notary Registration Number: 7517619

My Commission Expires: 12/31/25